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OBITUARY

BAKI KASAPLIGIL

1918-1992

Baki Kasapligil, a structural botanist and professor emeritus at Mills College, Oakland, California, and a research associate in the University Herbarium, University of California at Berkeley, died April 22nd in his home in Berkeley. He was 73 years old and died of cancer.

Born on 13 November, 1918, in Çankaca, Turkey, and raised in Istanbul, he received his B.Sc. from the University of Istanbul in 1941, served in the Turkish army from 1941 to 1944, was an assistant botanist at the Higher Institute of Agriculture, Ankara, from 1944 to 1946, and attended the University of California, Berkeley, from 1947 to 1950, where he received his Ph.D.

From 1950 to 1954 he held botanical positions at the University of Ankara, which awarded him a post-doctoral habilitation degree in 1953. While serving in 1954 to 1956 as a forest botanist, Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations, Dr. Kasapligil headed an ecological and vegetational mapping survey of forest and grazing lands in Jordan.

In 1956 Dr. Kasapligil assumed Howard Earnest McMinn's (1891--1963) position at Mills College and remained there until his retirement in 1984. At Mills he taught courses in basic biology, basic botany, economic botany, and plant taxonomy. One of the most popular professors on campus, and affectionately known as "Dr. K," he maintained even through his retirement years at the University Herbarium at Berkeley an active correspondence and contact with many colleagues and former students.

Dr. Kasapligil is the author of several monographs and numerous botanical papers on fossils, anatomy, morphology, and taxonomy. He also contributed to *Hortus Third* (1976) and other horticultural publications. His doctoral thesis done at Berkeley is now regarded as a classic piece of work and was on the structure and development of the vegetative and reproductive organs of California bay (*Umbellularia californica*) and European bay (*Laurus nobilis*), both members of the laurel family. He also wrote on such diverse plant groups as the pines (*Pinus*), oaks (*Fagus*), filberts (*Corylus*), as well as on past and present floras of Asia Minor.

Dr. Kasapligil is survived by two sons, David and Danyal, his brother Vehbi Kasapligil, and sister Şahika Ozon, both of Istanbul, Turkey.

—RUDOLF SCHMID.